

Public Law 99-531
99th Congress

An Act

Oct. 27, 1986

[S. 2370]

Public buildings
and grounds.
40 USC 1003
note.

To authorize the Francis Scott Key Park Foundation, Inc. to erect a memorial in the District of Columbia.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. That the Francis Scott Key Park Foundation, Inc. is authorized to erect a memorial on public grounds in the District of Columbia in honor and in commemoration of Francis Scott Key, the author of the words to "The Star Spangled Banner", our National Anthem, who lived and practiced law in Washington, District of Columbia at the time he penned those immortal words.

SEC. 2. (a) The Secretary of the Interior is authorized and directed to select, with the approval of the Commission of Fine Arts and the National Capital Planning Commission, a suitable site on public grounds in the District of Columbia upon which may be erected the memorial authorized in the first section of this Act.

(b) The design and plans for such memorial shall be subject to the approval of the Secretary of the Interior, the Commission of Fine Arts, and the National Capital Planning Commission.

(c) Neither the United States nor the District of Columbia shall be put to any expense in the establishment of the memorial.

SEC. 3. The authority conferred by this Act shall lapse unless (1) the erection of the memorial is commenced within five years from the date of enactment of this Act, and (2) prior to groundbreaking for the actual construction on the site funds are determined available in an amount sufficient, in the judgment of the Secretary of the Interior, to insure completion of the memorial.

SEC. 4. If the site for the memorial authorized herein shall be on public grounds belonging to or under the jurisdiction of the District of Columbia, the words "Mayor of the District of Columbia" shall be substituted for the words "Secretary of the Interior" at each place in sections 2 and 3 of this Act where the words "Secretary of the Interior" appear.

SEC. 5. In the event that the memorial authorized herein is erected on Federal lands in the District of Columbia and its environs as defined in H.R. 4378, as approved by the House of Representatives on September 29, 1986, such memorial shall be required to comply with the provisions of that Act.

SEC. 6. If the memorial erected under the provisions of this Act is on public grounds belonging to or under the jurisdiction of the District of Columbia, the Mayor of the District of Columbia shall be responsible for the care and maintenance of the memorial.

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